FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

a) 15-Day Renotice Public Comment Period

The modifications made to the regulations, including an Addendum to the Initial Statement of Reasons, were noticed to the interested public, as defined by Government Code sections 11347.1(b)(1) through (4), and made available for public inspection during a 15-day renotice comment period from May 24, 2017, to June 8, 2017. No comments were received and CDSS has made no further changes to the regulations text.

b) <u>Incorporation by Reference</u>

The 15-day Renotice letter with attachments, which includes a summary of objections or recommendations from the 45-day Public Notice period, is incorporated by reference in its entirety and available electronically at http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Post-Hearing-Regulations/ORD-No-0316-05.

c) Local Mandate Statement

These regulations do not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts. Therefore, there are no "state-mandated local costs" in these regulations, which require state reimbursement under Section 17500 et seq. of the Government Code.

d) Statement of Alternatives Considered

The CDSS has determined that no reasonable alternative considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of CDSS would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulations are proposed or would be as effective as and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

Workgroups were convened in the development of these proposed regulations. No reasonable alternatives have been presented to CDSS for review.

e) Statement of Significant Adverse Economic Impact on Business

The CDSS has determined that the proposed action will not have a significant, statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states. This determination was made because these regulations codify statute as well as implement proposals that came out of the discussions with stakeholders – including service providers – mandated by AB 388. Providers and their representatives reviewed and offered feedback to these regulations in draft form and did not express any alternatives to these regulations as presented or would cause a significant or detrimental economic impact to their businesses.

f) Forms Incorporation by Reference

In response to public comment from the 45-day Public Notice period, CDSS revised the regulations to clarify that incidents to be reported are those involving law enforcement contact with a participant residing in the facility, as well as to require the use of form LIC 624-LE, or a report containing all the information required in LIC 624-LE, for reportable incidents to ensure complete and consistent data collection. Therefore, form LIC 624-LE (4/17), Law Enforcement Contact Report, which contains and clarifies requirements in Health and Safety Code section 1538.7 and current licensing regulations, is incorporated by reference in these regulations and has been made available to the public for comment during the 15-day renotice public comment period from May 24, 2017, to June 8, 2017. Further, incorporating the document by reference is necessary because it would be cumbersome, unduly expensive or otherwise impractical to publish the document in the California Code of Regulations. Specifically, the incorporated form will be available http://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/FMUForms/Ipublic printing at L/LIC624LE.pdf?ver=2017-05-17-141634-630.